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920-900 William St. (West side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

1844-1851

This side of William St. is improved by two long rows of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses with gable roofs, all of which are covered with formstone. 912 William St. has been enlarged and now is three stories in height with a shed roof. The first floor area of 920 William St. serves as a corner grocery. 914-920 William St. were built by John S. Gittings as part of his development of the southern section of this block; 900-912 William St. were probably built by William Harman, a local house carpenter, for Sophia Read, who owned the property.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

912 William St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

___ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
___ STRUCTURE
___ SITE
___ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
___ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
___ IN PROCESS
___ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
___ UNOCCUPIED
___ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
___ YES: UNRESTRICTED
___ NO

PRESENT USE

___ AGRICULTURE
___ COMMERCIAL
___ EDUCATIONAL
___ ENTERTAINMENT
___ GOVERNMENT
___ INDUSTRIAL
___ MILITARY
___ MUSEUM
___ PARK
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
___ RELIGIOUS
___ SCIENTIFIC
___ TRANSPORTATION
___ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This three story, two bay brick house with shed roof represents an enlargement of the original gable roofed house that was built on this site in the 1840's, and formed part of a row of such houses extending along this side of William St. The house has been covered with formstone.

The house is three stories in height, 16' wide, and occupies a lot 80' deep. The house is two rooms deep with a three story high, two bay wide and deep rear addition followed by a three story high, one and a half bay wide, two bay deep addition. The house was probably constructed in running bond but the facade has been covered with formstone. The shed roof has no cornice. There is a double hooded chimney located along the south side of the main house.

Because of the formstone covering the original treatment of the lintels and sills cannot be determined. It appears, however, that the second and third floor window openings had segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums and wood sills. The first floor window has a round arched lintel and probably had a stone sill. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 sash. There is a 15-light glass and panel door set beneath a segmentally arched, single light transom, bordered by a row of quarter-round carvings and a row of cut-work scallops. The house sits on a fairly low basement, the entrance being reached by two stone steps. There is a rectangular coal opening located to the left of the steps.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

1845-46

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

William G. Read and Sophia Read

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 900-910 William St.

This house as built resembled the neighboring two story plus attic houses along William St.. The house was kept as rental property until relatively recently.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

a pair of

eccentric

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust / Struener Bros. & Eccles

STREET & NUMBER

4/79

TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Ruxton

Maryland 21204

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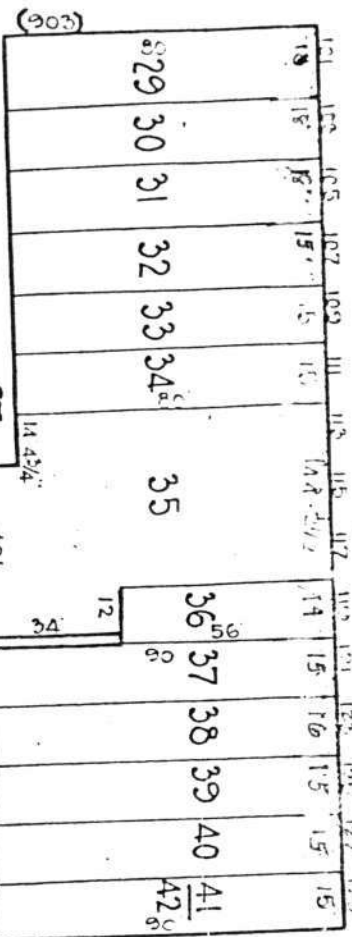
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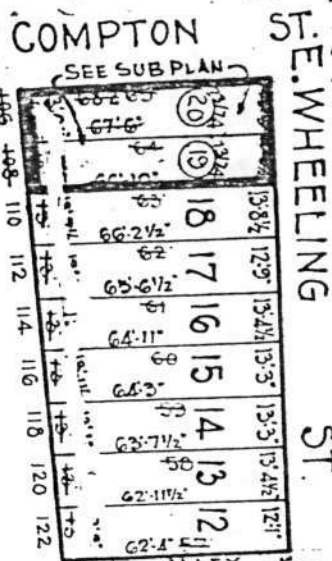
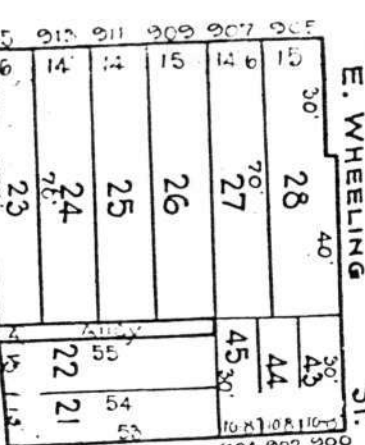
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WARREN AL.



ST.

WILLIAM

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920
937

E. HAMBURG

COMPTON ST.

936

936

CRT.

SUNWALT

WHORNS CRT.

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912 William Street
Block 0919 Lot 007
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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912 William St.

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East elevation